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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Sir or Madam,

I very very strongly urge the Department of Justice to ensure that the dominant and de-facto monopolistic position that Microsoft has gained be corrected - with strong and effective measures.

The terms of the settlement are clearly insufficient and unsatisfactory in this regard.

Information technology has enormously grown in importance in the last 20 years, and can be comparable

to energy and telecommunications as strategic and vital economic sectors. In the past the Antitrust Act has been applied to oil and telecommunications companies.

This case is equally - if not more - important and critical. Monopolies are extremely damaging to any capitalistic system.

I hope the Department of Justice will act promptly and not be intimidated by the catastrophic predictions made by Microsoft.

With very best regards,

Mauro Talevi